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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of § 1.136(a), applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2003 for a third month from March 1, 2004 to April 1, 2004. Enclosed is a check for \$530 to cover the cost of the extension.

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